



Nurse Assistant/ Home Health Aide

Career Technical Training Area

Health Care Career Pathway Nurse Assistant

The Job Corps Nurse Assistant training program takes approximately 8 to 12 months to complete and requires training in the following subject areas:

- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Infection control
- Safety/emergency procedures
- Promoting patients' independence
- Respecting patients' rights
- Basic nursing skills such as taking and recording vital signs
- Personal care skills such as bathing and dressing
- Mental health and social service needs such as how to respond to patient behavior
- Care of cognitively impaired patients and techniques for addressing the unique needs and behaviors of individuals with dementia, Alzheimer's, and others
- Basic restorative services that include proper turning and positioning techniques

Certification:

- Students who complete a Job Corps training program are eligible to receive a nationally recognized certificate of completion.
- State Licensure – All students must pass a state competency exam.

Steps to certification:

Before completing a Nurse Assistant training program, students should:

- Have the basic math and reading skills necessary to perform the job.
- Complete the core curriculum and pass all written and performance tests.
- Submit an application to state regulatory authority.
- Each state requires candidates to meet requirements specific to that state that may involve criminal background checks, graduation from high school or the equivalent, and/or completion of a training program meeting federal content requirements.

Average length of training:

8 to 12 months

The salary range for various careers as a Nurse Assistant is:

\$23,000 to \$32,000/year

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What is Job Corps?

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Health Care Career Pathway Home Health Aide

The Job Corps Home Health Aide (HHA) training program takes approximately 8 to 12 months to complete and requires training in the following subject areas:

- Communication skills
- Observation, reporting, and documentation of patient status
- Reading and recording temperature, pulse, and respiration
- Basic infection-control procedures
- Basic elements of body functioning and changes in body function
- Maintenance of a clean, safe, and healthy environment
- Recognizing emergencies and knowledge of emergency procedures
- The physical, emotional, and developmental needs of and ways to work with the populations served by the home health agency, including the need for respect for the patient, his or her privacy, and his or her property
- Appropriate and safe techniques in personal hygiene and grooming
- Safe transfer techniques and ambulation
- Normal range of motion and positioning
- Adequate nutrition and fluid intake
- Any other task that the home health agency may choose to have the home health aide perform

Certification/Competency:

- Students who complete a Job Corps training program are eligible to receive a nationally recognized certificate of completion.
- Competency for Home Health Aides is the responsibility of the home health agency, and the majority of states do not require HHAs to pass a state-administered exam.

Steps to certification:

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- Submit an application to state regulatory authority.
- Each state requires candidates to meet requirements specific to that state that may involve criminal background checks, graduation from high school or the equivalent and/or completion of a training program meeting federal content requirements.

Average length of training:

8 to 12 months

The salary range for various careers as a Home Health Aide is:

\$20,000 to \$29,000/year

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